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Sir:

A Certificate of Correction under 35 U.S.C. 255 is hereby requested to correct an error in the aboveidentified patent. Enclosed herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction (Form No. PTO-1050) for consideration along with appropriate documentation supporting the request for correction.

It is requested that the Certificate of Correction be completed and mailed at an early date to the undersigned attorney of record. The proposed Pcorrection is an obvious one and does not in any way change the sense of the application.

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Claim 7, line 12, please delete "applyied" and insert therefor - - applied - -.

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desired cream solder charging state is set by performing squeegeeing operations while varying the printing pressure according to a prescribed varying pattern and inspecting a state of charging of the pattern holes with the cream solder at each printing pressure by detecting a state of the cream solder on the mask plate.

7. A printing condition setting method for a screen printing apparatus which prints cream solder on a board through pattern holes of a mask plate by performing a squeegeeing operation, a squeegee is moved slidingly on a top surface of the mask plate while the squeegee is applyied constant printing pressure to the mask plate; the setting method comprising:

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a first step of setting a squeegee movement speed at which the squeegee is to be moved;

a second step of setting a printing pressure at which the squeegee is to be pressed against the mask plate; and

a third step of setting a plate release speed at which the board is to be separated from the bottom surface of the mask plate,

wherein the second step includes a step of performing squeegeeing operations at the squeegee movement speed that was set at the first step while varying the printing pressure according to a prescribed varying pattern, and a step of inspecting a state of charging of the pattern holes with the

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